

# ANN LANDERS



## Gargle Your Garters

Dear Ann Landers: YOU have a problem. It is called exaggeration. When "Los Angeles Heartache" complained about her daughter-in-law's dirty house you replied, "If all the women who wrote to me on this subject were lined up they would reach from Anchorage to Amarillo."

The distance from Anchorage to Amarillo is approximately 2,450 miles. If you allowed six feet of space for each complaining woman 2,376,000 women could fit into that space very nicely.

Will you take twenty lashes with your old typewriter ribbon—or do I gargle my garters?—D. D. OF MILES CITY

Dear D.D.: I just put in a new typewriter ribbon so I'm going to try my darndest to weasel out of the punishment. (If there's anything I hate it's ink on my back.)

I figure that for every woman who writes about a problem there are about a thousand who have it but don't write. Since you are apparently much better with figures than I am, please let me know if this gets me off the hook—something.

P.S. If I am guilty of overstating the case you are equally guilty of understating it. I just learned that the distance between Anchorage and Amarillo is 3,496 miles!!!! So go ahead and gargle your garters, Bub.

Dear Ann Landers: I'm a girl, 18, brought up by cultured parents who have high morals and good taste. I have been exposed to extensive travel, fine art, music and literature. My father is one of the city's most prominent civic leaders.

You would think that I'd be interested in young men of similar backgrounds and interests, but I'm not. For some strange reason, I am drawn to crude roughnecks—boys with backgrounds very different from mine.

I am in college now and have been dating three fellows. I would be ashamed to have my parents meet any one of them. They'd think I had flipped. Maybe I have. Why am I attracted to the unpolished types—fellows who are poor marriage material? Straighten me out—PLEASE!!! — CONCERNED ABOUT THE FUTURE

Dear Concerned: When a girl is attracted to young men she'd be ashamed to introduce to her parents, it strongly suggests she is rebelling like a pouting child. This is probably a phase that will pass. (Soon, I hope.)

You write like a girl whose thinking is fairly solid—on the conscious level, that is. Keep your wits about you, Toots, and don't go off your rocker and marry one of these birds.

Dear Ann Landers: My husband and I have been married for six years. We have no children. I went to a very fine doctor last week and he told me I'd have to have surgery if I want to have a family.

My husband says I should go to another doctor and not tell him about my first doctor's diagnosis. Would this be ethical? I don't want to make an enemy of the first doctor if the word should get back to him. What is your advice? — MONTEREY

Dear Monterey: Most physicians have no objections if a patient seeks the opinion of another physician. By all means go to one or even two others. This is not unethical behavior. It is prudent.

When necking becomes petting, watch out! To learn how the smart girl keeps both her dignity and her boy friend, send for ANN LANDERS' booklet, "Necking and Petting—And How Far To Go," enclosing with your request 25 cents in coin and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Ann Landers will be glad to help you with your problems. Send them to her in care of the Press-Herald enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope. (C) 1966, Publishers Newspaper Syndicate



GAME PLANNERS . . . Getting in the spirit of the season before Saturday's season opener between the University of Pittsburgh and UCLA are these Pitt alumni, Thomas Price of Torrance (over the ball) and Regie Cordic, KNX Radio morning personality. A Pitt Alumni Reunion is planned in conjunction with Saturday's gridiron affair.



TO SOLO BY SUNDOWN . . . Janet Rae Witherspoon, an 18-year-old El Camino College student who has never been at the controls of an airplane will attempt to make a solo flight in one day during the eighth annual Torrance Airport Days next weekend. Hal Corbett, chief pilot for Avion Air Flight School, will instruct the zero-time student in a Cessna 150. A Redondo Beach resident, Miss Witherspoon is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Witherspoon.

## Exam for Fire Chief Postponed

Civil service examinations for a new fire chief have been postponed until a new Civil Service Ordinance, now in preparation, can be adopted by the city.

Torrance councilmen voted to postpone the examination after the Torrance Fire Fighters Association asked for the delay. Richard L. DeArmitt, speaking for the Fire Fighters Association, pointed out several discrepancies in the existing ordinance.

The examination had been scheduled Nov. 16. It was to have been open to men in the first three ranks below that of chief in fire departments serving California cities of 80,000 or more population and comparable departments.

Such provisions, DeArmitt said, would permit firemen in some cities to take the examination but deny a captain in the Los Angeles City Fire Department the right to take the examination.

Under provisions in the proposed civil service ordinance, the city's Civil Service Commission may declare an open or a promotional examination for the position of fire chief.

Final action on the new ordinance may come as early as October.

## LIKED ICE CREAM

Alexander the Great loved ice cream, and instructed every soldier under his command to have a portion of it every day "to increase his physical endurance."

## Schools Prepare Exhibit at Fair

"Meet Me in Pomona, Mona, Meet Me at the Fair," the paraphrased version of the St. Louis Fair song hit might well be the theme song of the Torrance Unified School District, which is currently preparing a major exhibit for the Los Angeles County Fair.

Preparations for a Torrance exhibit which will be featured at the Educational Exhibit Building at the fair, are nearing completion, according to Roderick McDaniel, administrator of the Educational Materials Building for the local district. The fair opens Friday.

AT THE INVITATION of the Los Angeles County superintendent of schools, EMB personnel are preparing a replica of the nationally known "supermarket of knowledge." Emphasis on the economy of providing library materials for students through centralization has won the district facility acclaim in educational circles for almost a decade.

To show the public how teachers shop for books at the EMB, the county fair exhibit—which will be on display at the Pomona fairgrounds through Sept. 30—will spotlight a variety of activities in a full-scale setting.

A life-size mannequin pushing a shopping cart will be featured browsing on a media tree for books, records, films, and tapes, while other mannequins view film strips, pre-

view records on earphones, check books out and package books with a tying machine for shipment. Tied books will travel down a moving conveyor belt.

WALT DISPLAYS will feature a collage of Torrance students representing the future of American education.

The story of what the EMB will be told by a ledge display of color prints and captions. An automatic machine will show slides of how the materials center works.

Local businesses which have loaned equipment to the EMB for the county fair include: Sam Levy Department Store, mannequins; American Seating, Inc., furniture; and Prescott Industries, string-tying machine.

## Enrollment To Continue At School

Pre-registration for new and transfer students at Stephen M. White Junior High School will continue through Friday, it has been announced.

The registration periods are from 9 a.m. until noon and from 1 until 3:30 p.m. today and tomorrow and from 1 until 3:30 p.m. Friday.

Advisors will be available at the school this afternoon and Friday.

## COUNT MARCO

# Yecchh--Black is Coming Back

I haven't written about it for a long time, thinking I had it all completely under control, but only the good Lord knows when an epidemic seemingly under control may suddenly break out in another quarter and spread its dread around the world. I must always remain alert. It's so tiring sometimes.

For instance, consider Geoffrey Beene's recent statements regarding fashions for women.

Beene, who will soon receive his second Coty American Fashion Critics Award, needs to go back to school to learn about the seasons of the year, and Coty should stick to making cosmetics if they consider what he's about to do to the American woman as worthy of a fashion award.

To quote Mr. Beene: "The thing that interested me most on my whole trip was the amount of black the women were wearing in Capri. Capri has always been strong for color, but this time I was struck all over again by how marvelous black looks with a suntan."

The first things to be finished in his new collection, he indicated, are some LITTLE BLACK LINEN DRESSES. Well, here we go again: basic black.

I'll grant you black may look well on some heavily tanned individuals, BUT . . . in case Mr. Beene is not aware of it, the season for getting a suntan is OVER, GONE, FINI, until next year.

By the time his collection featuring basic black comes

out, all tans have faded, so what other excuse will he have for then introducing funeral black? Perhaps he can find a mortuary society to buy his supply for official mourners.

Those "little black linen dresses" are as deadly to femininity as the individuals who create and/or promote them. And to spread the word that they are on the way back is merely supporting vicious gossip; they are not.

The only black being worn in Capri is by those American tourists who are still holdouts from the store age of fashion, with two outfits in their travel wardrobes: basic black and pearls or slacks. And surely none of you wishes to be mistaken for one of THEM.

## AIRPORT DAYS EVENT

# Teenager to Try Solo Flight After One Day

An 18-year-old Redondo Beach girl is preparing to "try her wings" alone next weekend at the Torrance Municipal Airport celebrates its eighth annual Airport Days.

Janet Rae Witherspoon, who has never been at the controls of an airplane, will make her bid as a lady pilot when she tries to "solo by sundown" in a contest being sponsored by Avion Air Flight School.

A zero-time student, Miss Witherspoon will be instructed by Hal Corbett, chief pilot

for Avion Air. Corbett has logged more than 11,000 hours of flight time. He will train Miss Witherspoon in a Cessna 150.

Visitors to the airport will be invited to meet Miss Witherspoon and then guess the exact "touch-down" time of her first solo flight. The person coming closest to the exact time will be awarded a portable television set.

Other prizes include a trip to Catalina Island for two and a ride in a Lear Jet.

High School, will attend El Camino College this fall.

Other activities during the two-day open house at the airport will include a two-penny-per-pound ride sponsored by women pilots of The Ninety-Nines; helicopter rides, which are priced at three cents per pound; displays of vintage and modern aircraft, and continuous aviation films.

More than 30,000 persons are expected to visit the airport, now rated as the sixth busiest in the nation, during the two-day event.

## Your Second Front Page

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WHO'S THE WINNER? . . . Judges for the Torrance Recreation Department's "Best of the Bands" contest, an activity of the department's three Co-Rec Clubs, ponder the question, "How'll we rate this one?" The judges, from left, are Richard Peterson, Dennis Hull, Carol Coscio, Gail Putnam, Kathy Urso, Gayle Cooper, and Tari Fosterling

## Co-Rec Clubs Set Registration

Torrance teenagers entering the seventh and eighth grades this fall have been invited to attend the "Co-Rec Round-up" this Friday at the Torrance Recreation Center, 3341 Torrance Blvd.

The round-up, sponsored by the city's Recreation Department, is scheduled from 7 until 10 p.m.

At least one parent must accompany youths to complete registration for one of three Co-Rec Clubs in the city. The three clubs, serving the Central, South, and West sections of Torrance, offer a variety of social activities for the youths.

Activities this summer have included trips to Universal City Studios, Disneyland, and Newport Dunes, a "best of the bands" contest, and the Recreation Department's production of "Bye Bye Birdie."

Programs planned for the fall will include field trips, sports nights, holiday parties,

service projects, and a trip to the snow country. The clubs are under the supervision of full-time staff members of the Torrance Recreation Department and eight part-time college students.

Registration fee for the program is 50 cents per person.



SING OUT . . . Two members of "The Legends," a band sponsored by the Torrance Recreation Department Co-Rec Clubs, concentrate on the melody as they compete in the "Best of the Bands" contest. The contest is one of several activities sponsored by the three Co-Rec Clubs. Registration for the fall program will be held Friday from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Torrance Recreation Center, 3341 Torrance Blvd.

## Bids on Watts Site

Bids for the demolition of a public housing project on the site of the proposed Watts-Willowbrook Hospital were called by the Board of Supervisors yesterday.

Some 470 units, located on a 30-acre parcel at 120th Street and Wilmington Avenue, will be demolished to make way for a 438-bed county hospital.

The housing project, recently purchased from the

County Housing Authority for \$100,000, is virtually vacant, Supervisor Kenneth Hahn said. Hahn said the occupancy has been reduced over the last year by closing units as they become vacant. No families have been evicted, he reported.

Supervisors have ordered plans for the proposed hospital prepared while they investigate several methods of financing the new facility.